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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY (37 C.F.R. § 10.40(c))

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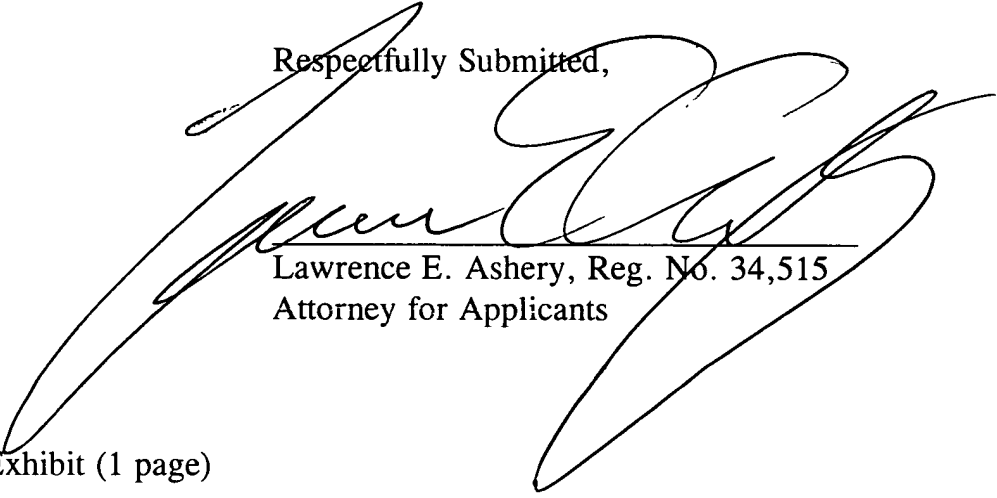
I, an attorney signing below, respectfully request permission to withdraw from all further responsibility in this case, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.36. I am making this request on behalf of all of the attorneys listed on the Declaration/Power of Attorney originally filed in the above application.

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The basis for the request for withdrawal is 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(c).
The assignee has taken over prosecution of the application (see attached exhibit).

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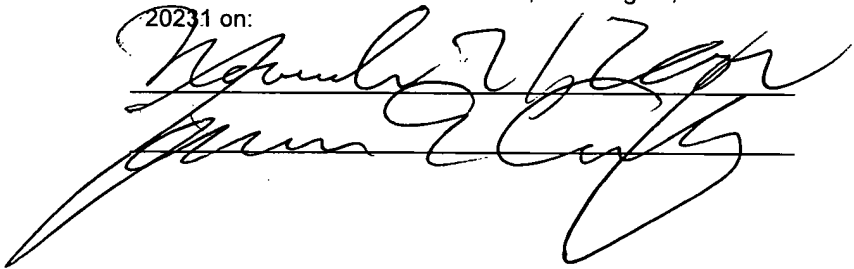
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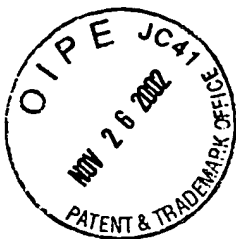
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And

Re: U.S. Patent Application by Joseph H. Holland et al. for
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPLETING TRANSACTION
REQUESTS IN A STRUCTURED ENVIRONMENT
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And

Re: U.S. Patent Application by Joseph H. Holland et al. for
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DEMAND IN A STRUCTURED ENVIRONMENT
Serial No.: 09/820,410 filed March 29, 2001 Our Ref.: AAC-102US

Dear Tim:

As requested, we have forwarded the above-identified files to Morgan Lewis. We assume that they will be filing new Power of Attorney documents. As you requested, we are taking no further action in any of the above-identified cases.

You also requested that we forward all final bills to you. We have reviewed our accounts and enclose one final statement for previously incurred services.

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